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DATELINE

Bob Richardson at Lemon Grove Chamber breakfast

LEMON GROVE — The Lemon Grove Chamber of Commerce Legislative and Government Committee is hosting a breakfast meeting with Bob Richardson, acting city manager of Lemon Grove on May 13 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Coco's Restaurant and Bakery at the College Grove mall. The cost is \$6.50 inclusive. For more information, one may call 469-9621.

Volunteers needed for meals on wheels Mother's Day delivery

LEMON GROVE — Volunteers are needed to drive their own cars to deliver hot meals to the homebound in San Diego County. There will be a meeting for volunteers on May 9 at 9:30 a.m. at the Lemon Grove Senior Center located at 8235 Mt. Vernon Street in Lemon Grove. For more information, one may call 460-0430.

Old Time Days book sale planned

LEMON GROVE — A giant book sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Lemon Grove Library is being held during Old Time Days at the Lemon Grove Middle School on May 7 from 4 to 6 p.m. and on May 8 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The school is located on School Lane in Lemon Grove.

For more information, one may call 463-9819.

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Lemon Grove holds 36th annual Old Time Days this weekend

LEMON GROVE — One of the Lemon Grove's favorite events, Old Time Days, makes its return this weekend, marking the 36th annual Old Time Days event.

The community celebration kicks off Friday, at 4 p.m. and concludes Saturday at 10 p.m. As in years past, there will be merchants, a food court, and continuous entertainment for family enjoyment.

A special area for children will feature kiddy cars, a train, pony rides, game booths, and a petting zoo. Additional entertainment includes magicians, puppeteers, animal acts and clowns, as well as bands, a hypnotist and game shows.

A number of informative community and business displays will be included.

New this year is the "Country Kitchen Cook-Off," to find the best lemon recipes in town, a beard-growing contest, with categories of most unique, most appealing, most full, and most contemporary. Also new this year will be community games that include a lemon toss, pie eating, lemon relays, and much more. Featured bands for the two evenings this year are "Wishbone" and "Cactus".

On Saturday at 10 a.m., the annual Old Time Days Parade will begin its course through the town, starting at St. John of the Cross Church on Broadway, and winding its way to the corner of Lemon Grove Ave. and Central Ave. Immediately following the parade, along with all of the food, fun, and games, the fire department will hold its annual blood drive starting at noon.

"Old Time Days is definitely one of our city's favorite events," said Mayor Mary Sessom. "Everyone comes together to celebrate the community spirit we have established here in Lemon Grove."

One hugely successful highlight, introduced last year, and which will return this year, is the home lottery in which five lucky residents will receive up to \$30,000 toward the down payment of a home in Lemon Grove.

City officials anticipate more than 10,000 applicants this year. The city will use a confidential numbering system to announce the lottery winners. Last year, there were 7,000 applicants and, of the ten winners, eight have closed escrow on a new home.

The city council, acting as the city's community development agency, approved the plan. The money is made available by Redevelopment Housing Funds. Families with very low income (based on Housing and Urban Development income levels) can borrow up to \$30,000. Those with low income may receive up to \$25,000, and those with moderate income can seek up to \$15,000.

Previous homeowners will not necessarily be excluded from the lottery, said Bob Richardson, acting city manager. The program defines first-time homeowners as those who have not owned homes for three years or more.

"The lottery is definitely a boon to Lemon Grove," Richardson said. "It enhances our neighborhoods by increasing home ownership, and when thousands of people want to win a home in your city, it can only boost the market."

Lemon Grove Sanitation District increases sewer service charges

By Celeste Merigan
The Review

LEMON GROVE — The board of directors of the Lemon Grove Sanitation District held a public hearing April 20 to consider an increase in the annual sewer charges in the district.

Fees were raised from the \$169 per equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) to \$204.90 for fiscal year 1999-2000.

Additional charges were outlined for the following three years, the fee being increased to \$248.79 in 2000, to \$291.86 in 2001 and \$314.11 in 2002.

Ordinance 22, passed by the board in Feb. 1998 establishes the sewer service charges. The annual sewer service charge is broken into two parts, the first is generally based on the district's annual cost to collect and transport wastewater and is equally divided among the number of EDU's connected to the district's system.

The second component is generally the cost for the wastewater treatment and disposal as fees paid to the City of San Diego Metropolitan Sewer System, and is allocated to the users.

Single family users are charged for one EDU — composed of a wastewater flow of 240 gallons per day for 365 days a year, and constitutes levels of sewage strength of 200 milligrams per liter.

Commercial/industrial users are calculated at 1.2 EDU for each busi-

ness unit, with flows similar to those set forth in the current edition of the California Water Resources Control Board state publication entitled: *Policy for Implementing the State Revolving Fund for Construction of Wastewater Treatment Facilities.*

Food service establishments are rated at 3 EDU, hotels and motels are broken down into those living units with kitchens and without kitchens. For each unit, the facility is rated .38 EDU (without kitchen) and .60 EDU for living units with kitchen.

Office, stores or industrial condominiums are rated by 1,000 square feet, each being rated at 1.20 EDU, additionally 1,000 square feet, or portions thereof are an additional 70.

Self-service laundry facilities are rated 1.0 EDU per washer. Churches, theaters and auditoriums are rated 1.5 EDU per 150 persons seating capacity, or any part thereof. This does not include office spaces, school rooms, day care facilities, or food preparation areas.

Elementary schools are rated 1.0 EDU for each 50 pupils, Junior high schools are rated at 40 pupils, and high schools are rated for 24 pupils. The number of pupils is based on the average daily attendance of pupils at the school during the previous fiscal year. If the school has no attendance record for the previous year, the district will estimate the average daily attendance for the fee.

Transient charged in brutal motel room strangulation

By Neal Putnam

Special to The Review

LEMON GROVE — A transient and parolee was arraigned May 6 on charges that he strangled a tourist from England in a La Mesa motel room, then drove the victim's rental car to Lemon Grove, where he was arrested.

Vernon Leroy Barker, 36, of El Cajon, was arrested two days after the Feb. 19 murder of John Simpson,

55, of Shirley, England, after Barker was found sleeping in the victim's rental car in Lemon Grove. Because Barker was convicted of residential burglary in 1991, he was held on a parole hold without bail and charges were not filed against him until last week in El Cajon Superior Court.

The prosecutor said Friday the victim was gay but authorities are See **Transient**, p. 16

Community to see juvenile justice up close

SAN DIEGO — County residents will have their annual opportunity to get a "scared straight" experience at Juvenile Hall and Juvenile Court on May 15, when the two entities will be open for inspection and tours. It's a rare opportunity to get a close-up look at these juvenile justice institutions.

The County Probation Department, in cooperation with Superior Court, will lead 30-minute tours, tend exhibits, show videotapes, discuss crime prevention and welcome visitors into the confines of a system that, by law, must carefully maintain the confidentiality of its clientele.

Tours for the Saturday open house will begin at 1 p.m. The last one starts at 3:30 p.m. The staging area for the event is in the parking lot of the Juvenile Probation Center at 2901 Meadow Lark Drive in the Kearny Mesa area.

Chief Probation Officer Alan Crogan said, "It's an excellent way for parents to show their children the steel and cement of a jail-like setting that is not a pleasant place to visit."

For further information, one may call 694-4427.

Hyde Gallery presents student art exhibit

EL CAJON — The Grossmont College Hyde Gallery presents the Art Department's annual student art exhibit entitled, "Visual Developments." The exhibit opened on May 3 and runs through May 21.

The exhibit is open from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Fridays.

The Gallery is located on the Grossmont College campus, located at 8800 Grossmont College Drive in El Cajon. For more information, one may call 644-7299.

Art Garfunkel in concert at East County Performing Arts Center

EL CAJON — Art Garfunkel will be in concert on May 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the East County Performing Arts Center, located at 210 East Main Street in El Cajon. For more information one may call 440-2277.

Save a life this weekend

SAN DIEGO — Save a life this weekend.... Adopt a pet at the County Animal Shelters this weekend, from noon to 5 p.m., when the county joins thousands of animal welfare organizations for Pet Adoptions '99. Just \$60 for a dog and \$50 for a cat. All county animal shelters will participate.

For further information, one may call (619) 531-6365.

Golf tourney to benefit schools

PINE VALLEY - The Mountain Empire High School Booster Club's Golf Classic tournament, a benefit event for high school sports programs, will be played Friday, June 25 and check-in begins at 11 a.m.

The event includes post-tournament dinner, raffle prizes, long drive and putting contests, and awards to 1st, 2nd and 3rd low net teams. No handicaps are required. The cost per player is \$100 and includes green fees, cart, beverage tickets and dinner.

Last year's tournament raised approximately \$9,500 and paid for new uniforms and equipment for the school's football, volleyball, soccer, baseball and softball teams and cheerleaders.

Non-competitors may also enjoy dinner at \$20 per person.

For further information and to request an entry form, one may call Suzanne Bowen at 445-0712 or Gail Pinto at 478-9168.

Four from East County take Barona Sand Drags

By Joe Naiman

Three racers from Lakeside and one from El Cajon took first place at the 1999 season opener for the Barona Sand Drags April 24-25. Lakeside's Paul Becker, who also serves as the race director for the Barona Sand Drags, was the top driver in the Middle Eliminator class April 24.

During the second day of racing Lakeside's Shawn Wall took first in the Sport 1 class, El Cajon's Larry Knecht won the Sport 2 class, and Lakeside's Arthur Vasquez was first in the Pee Wee class. Two Lakeside residents took second place, both in the Junior Eliminator class.

Charlie Cassens was the Saturday runner-up while Mark Rhodes was Sunday's bridesmaid. The classes are divided into elapsed time categories. Faster drivers are handicapped at the starting line so that theoretically both drivers will cross the finish line at the same time, and drivers who exceed their dial-in time are penalized.

The course at Barona is 100 yards. The Top Eliminator class has a time range of 3.00 to 3.50 seconds (qualifying times are rounded to the lowest tenth of a second in the eliminator classes), the Eliminator class has a time range of 3.60 to 4.20 seconds, the Middle Eliminator class covers the 4.30 to 4.90 second range, and the Jr. Eliminator class has a range of 5.00 to

6.40 seconds.

The Sport 1 class covers vehicles with times of 4.99 and under. Sport 2 includes vehicles who can run the course between 5.00 and 5.99 seconds, and Sport 3 is for vehicles with dial-in times of 6 seconds and above.

There is no handicapping in the Top Fuel or A-Fuel division. The A-Fuel division has a breakout (penalty) time of 2.90. The Juniors division covers ages 12 through 15, although older children without drivers' licenses can also compete in the Juniors division. The Pee Wee division is for children ages 8 through 11 while the Mini division is for ages 5 through 7. Because of the handicapping system, a faster driver may finish in second.

Becker's elapsed time of 4.40 seconds was slower than runner-up Bob Sechi's time of 4.358 seconds. Becker's finish-line speed of 72 miles per hour was also slower than Sechi's 72.9 miles per hour. The speed is measured over a 13.2-foot stretch at the end of the race, half before the finish line and half after the finish line, so speed statistics do not necessarily correlate with elapsed time statistics. Rhodes, another runner-up who had a faster time than the first-place winner due to the handicap system, needed 5.415 seconds to complete the 100 yards while Kevin Williams took 5.523 seconds. But Wil-

liams had a speed of 57.54 miles per hour while Rhodes crossed the finish line at 48.54 miles per hour.

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East County scion thrilled to land county's top post

Eckart to fill Prior's slot as CAO

by Joe Naiman

SAN DIEGO — Walt Eckard, due shortly to become the county's next Chief Administrative Officer, is about as homegrown as an East County resident could hope for.

"To be CAO of my hometown county is certainly something I didn't contemplate (while) playing Little League in Spring Valley growing up," Eckard said. "It's quite a thrill."

Eckard, who has been the Assistant Chief Administrative Office for the past two and a half years, will replace Larry Prior, who will return to the private sector May 17.

Eckard is a 1972 graduate of Mount Miguel High School. He served as sports editor of El Troubadour at Mount Miguel and initially attended San Diego State University as a journalism major.

One of the journalism professors discouraged the class from going into that profession, and Eckard became a history major. After graduation from San Diego State, Eckard earned a law degree at the University of San Diego.

"When you're a history major you either teach or go to law school," Eckard remarked. Eckard is a member of the bar but has been in court as an attorney only twice in his career. "I never really was that interested in practicing."

In 1980 Paul Fordem defeated incumbent Lucille Moore for the Second District seat on the Board of Supervisors, and Eckard became a senior policy advisor to Fordem.

In 1984 Brian Bilbray defeated an incumbent for the First District seat, and Eckard switched offices to become Bilbray's Chief of Staff.

In 1987 Eckard took a job managing the Rancho Santa Fe Association, which included developing linkages between the association and other community organizations and creating a long-term strategic plan.

In September 1996 Prior took over as the county's CAO. The county's decision to obtain a CAO from business rather than government has been vindicated, but Prior had no local government experience and turned to Eckard, who returned to the public sector.

"I wanted to be part of something special," he said. "I knew these people behind me," Eckard said of the county supervisors, "I've known them for many years. I thought an aggressive and dynamic board would be able to pull it off."

Prior agreed to stay for at least two years but not more than three.

Knowing that Prior would be leaving, the supervisors also planned for his eventual departure.

A system was set up for succession, and Prior was charged with implementing a succession plan.

The plan not only covered Prior but also other top officials. Prior identified Eckard as his successor, and the supervisors approved the choice.

Although the May 4 closed session discussion to select Eckard as Prior's successor lasted half an hour, the supervisors had Eckard in mind from the beginning.

"We wanted to make sure we had the best man," said chairwoman Pam Slater.

Eckard said he feels he owes Prior a debt of gratitude. "He's allowed me to suck his brain dry

for the past two years."

"Larry got his help from Walt," said Supervisor Bill Horn. "This has allowed us to make a seamless transition from the service of Larry Prior to the service of Walt Eckard," Slater noted. "He has the complete confidence of the board of supervisors."

"The nice thing about Walt is Walt's been through the trials and tribulations," Horn said. "We're really privileged to be able to make this transition."

Prior had eliminated the county's financial straits which were present when he came on board, and both Eckard and the supervisors feel that Eckard's goal will be to make the new procedures standard practice.

"I kind of see this as Phase I. We've done the change," said Eckard of Prior's achievements. "Phase II, which is my phase, is the harder phase because we have to make these changes permanent."

"This truly begins a new era in county government," said Dianne Jacob, who is Eckard's own supervisor. "It's time to move on and manage the change."

"What we need now is a person who has a steady hand on the helm, who's ready to stay the course," Slater said.

"We want to make sure these become part of the culture," said Horn.

"We are operating county government better, faster, and cheaper," said Jacob. "That's the type of county government we want to continue. Walt Eckard is the perfect manager at this time."

Eckard explains that permanency means allowing the successful procedures to remain in place after the current supervisors and administra-

tion has departed. "Leadership changes but government keeps going and they'll soon find a way to do what's comfortable."

In addition to making the businesslike policies routine, Eckard's priorities include the information technology outsourcing project, improving customer satisfaction, and working with employees.

"I will not succeed on this job without listening to the advice of employees and my management team," Eckard said. Eckard's first proposals, which won't officially be implemented until he becomes CAO on May 17 and the suggestions are ratified by the board of supervisors, were to name Helen Robbins-Meyer as his own Assistant Chief Administrative Officer and Department of Parks and Recreation director Alex Martinez to replace Robbins-Meyer as Deputy CAO for County Services. Eckard feels that Robbins-Meyer will be more of a pure chief operating officer. "I think we will be in more of a traditional CEO/COO relationship."

"We have a management team that's the best that this county has ever seen," Jacob said.

Although the supervisors deliberate the budget next month, the budget process began in January, so Eckard, who was involved in that process, will not have the preparation task as one of his first activities. He feels that his experience with the county will eliminate another problem often facing new leaders. "One of the hardest things for somebody new is learning how to work with staff," he said. "I understand that. I understand how it works."

In addition to the operations of the county and certain countywide functions, the county administrators

governmental activities for the unincorporated areas. Eckard has lived his entire life in the unincorporated portion of San Diego; he lived in Ramona for 12 years before moving to the Singing Hills area of El Cajon last year.

Supervisors Jacob and Horn, who represent most of the county's unincorporated area, feel that such personal experience will be of added benefit to the 17 percent of the county's population which does not live in a city. "It is important to the residents of the unincorporated areas," said Horn, who lives in Valley Center. "I think it's going to be a plus. Definitely, Walt has an understanding of various problems that others don't who haven't lived there," remarked Jacob, the first second district supervisor in over 50 years to live in an unincorporated area. Although Eckard has lived his entire life in the second district, his work for Bilbray in the first district and for the Rancho Santa Fe Association in the third district give him insight into other areas of the county. "I know the county pretty well," Eckard said, adding that he has a different management style than Prior.

"I think I tend to be a little more controlled," Eckard hopes that employees enjoy working under him. "I think people find me approachable, but I make decisions rapidly, quickly, and I don't hesitate to take action when it's necessary."

"He's honest and up-front in his comments," said Slater. "He does not sugar-coat his comments."

Walt and Pam Eckard have three daughters. An 18-year-old currently attends college in Virginia; their 14-year-old attends Christian High School, and their 10-year-old goes to Dehesa Elementary School.

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COMMENTARY

Found honesty and a smile

By Judy Fergus

Due to a sewer pipe repair we were having done on our property, my husband I found it necessary to use a Laundromat in Lemon Grove. This is the first time either of us had been in a Laundromat in many, many years.

As I sat there, I looked around and thought to myself what a cross-section of people you find in Laundromats. There were senior citizens, hippie dudes, young women, families, of all nationalities, each doing their laundry on a Sunday afternoon.

When we finished, we folded up everything and proceeded on other errands, and then home. Later that day, going through my purse for something, and I noticed that my makeup bag, something no woman of my age is ever without, was missing from my purse. I started to casually look around my house thinking that I had just laid it down somewhere. I still could not locate it. Panic started setting in. As I stated, women are attached to their makeup bags, more so than to their wallets. It is something that just seems to occur with age. We may even have a "makeup bag gene" somewhere in our DNA. Anyway, I went to our car, looked under the seats, no bag. I searched the house again. No bag. My husband suggested that maybe it fell out of my purse at the Laundromat, grocery store, or one of the other places we had been that day.

I was not enthusiastic over the possibility that if it did fall out, it was still at any of these places. However, I decided to at least go to the Laundromat and see. I was not, however, going to spend my entire afternoon looking for it. After all it was only my makeup, right? But I did proceed down to the Laundromat.

Inside I looked around, on the floors, on the counters...but no bag. Just then I noticed a door that was not particularly marked with any identification, but decided to try it anyway. Inside, on the counter, was my bag. This room was for "stuff" left at the Laundromat. This story is not so much to let you know that I found my makeup. It is, however, to let you know what else I found. Right here in Lemon Grove, our little three square miles of middle America, I found honesty — people putting things in a place for the rightful owner to come back and find. The room was filled with stuff that people had left by accident. It has numerous pieces of varied clothing, towels, shoes, toys, etc., Stuff was everywhere. I stood in amazement. It made me feel so good to see this variety of items just waiting patiently for the return of the rightful owner. In a week filled with children killing children, car jacking, thefts, etc., it did my heart so much good to see that people did still care about each other, and other people's things. Judy Fergus is a resident of Lemon Grove.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Loved editorial Editor:

You editorial, "An easy answer?" (April 29 issue) was great. The problem is we, as a nation, have made a conscious decision that character no longer matters. Exhibit A: look who we have in the White House! No other evidence is needed. It's over. The hand has been dealt and played. We have broken and mocked all the commandments. Now, the law of sowing and reaping is in full force. I repeat, it's over!

Great paper!

Gary Marchinke
El Cajon

New papers look great Editor:

My work week involves a great deal of travel through various parts of San Diego County and I often pick up the local newspapers to review. About a month ago, I had looked down at the La Mesa newspaper and ignored it because of its drab appearance and the unappealing written format of its articles. Just last week I was in the same area and when I looked down again I was startled by the new masthead and the restructuring that had taken place.

I have been a reader of *The Alpine Sun* for a few years and was sure I was viewing a smaller version, only to find out that your publication had purchased the smaller, outlying newspapers. It was a pleasure to read

articles that weren't pulled out of other papers. It was nice to read the crisp format that has been *The Alpine Sun*'s standard since I've read it.

Congratulations!

Jan Hedlund
Potrero

No 'sports' in Congress

Editor:

There is talk going around that the methods of scoring boxing matches will end up in the Congress for debate and consensus ruling.

That will be an extraordinary waste of time.

There are no longer any "sports" in Congress since Bob Dole retired.

Sherman Johnson
Lemon Grove

West Hills' principal addressed thorny issue

Editor:

About last week's front page on Marge Cole, (*Santee Star*) principal at Santee's West Hills High School post-Colbert beating response. Unlike just about everyone in Santee who reacted to the tragedy with a lot of pomp but little circumstance, Marge Cole actually went out and did something about it.

Knowing that anything except silence is going to create some negative verbal behavior, the West Hills principal moved quickly and positively with the rally and march and with the resources camp.

That's what leadership is all about. That's what positive role models are all about. That's what courage is all about.

And those are positive lessons which our youngsters need to learn these days.

Faculty cowards—all of the teachers/staff signed that letter designed to discredit Mrs. Cole and none of them have the courage to be identified? What ever happened to good ol' courage of convictions and accountability and personal responsibility values?

Are these same don't-use-my-name teachers and administrators passing their professional fear philosophies along to our future leaders? Are we actually paying these gutless wonders to teach hide-and-go-seek to our young adults?

Perhaps some of these teachers and administrators should go back to high school themselves, and take one of Marge Cole's classes.

Jim Harwood
Santee

PG PERSPECTIVES

Looking for lost things

By Phil Giannangeli

Life is really getting complicated these days. If you don't think so, step back and take a look at what's going on in your life.

If you make the mistake of dialing 10-10-678 instead of the ubiquitous 10-10-321, you may be putting your telephonic financial well-being in jeopardy. At least that's the message I'm hearing. Instead of reminiscing about the good old days of dialing for dollars (anyone remember that program?), you could now find yourself dialing away your hard-earned dollars. And don't get me started on that AT & T 1 800 CALL COLLECT stuff. Making a phone call is a lot more complicated that it used to be.

As if all of that is not enough, suddenly people who were never before connected with phone stuff (convenience stores, the post office) want me to participate in their phone schemes. They want to sell to me what are referred to as calling cards. Now, I'm pretty sure nobody goes into business figuring to lose money (forget I mention the post office two sentences back), so there's got to be profit in there somewhere. Which means we're all probably being over-charged for phone usage in the first place. Besides, I figure if these phone cards are anything like the credit cards I have, they're surely going to cost me one way or another.

Are you beginning to see how complicated things are getting? And that's just

scratching the surface.

Another complication in what should be a more serene world is one's appearance. Yours, mine, and everyone's. Used to be you could leave the house looking like a bum or frump and, if you were lucky, the only person who saw you before you got back home was a friend or acquaintance, probably looking as bad as you and hoping, like you, not to be seen. Sometimes you could even be fortunate enough to make it home without anyone really seeing you. No more. Today, almost every place you go has surveillance cameras clicking away at your dowdiness. Consider this: there are actual pictures of you stored away someplace that could pop up on TV or in a newspaper showing the world just how unkempt you can look.

If that's not bad enough, destinations are not the only place where you can become a pin-up or a video star. Now, just getting where you are going can put you in front of a camera, ready or not. Those new pictorial law enforcement devices set up at certain traffic lights will capture you on film—and I do mean capture — for possible use in the courtroom. I'm not sure, but I'll bet they are then stored in some data bank so posterity can later get a good laugh too.

"Your honor, it's clear that the defendant not only has poor driving habits, but his grooming skills are woefully inadequate too. Just look at those photos. Let's store them in a file labeled 'pathetic' so they can be shown

to our children and grandchildren as a lesson on how not to go out of the house." So much for the automobile as a sanctuary for the disheveled. And so much, too, for the simple life.

One more complexity to look at. The once simple process of having electricity enter your home has now become a matter of consternation. Do you want "green energy" or "wind energy" or "traditional energy" lighting and heating your home? Now you get to choose. My guess is that it won't be too long before they hook energy and communication together and your choice of a phone carrier will determine your energy provider. Simple as that.

Life sure is getting more complex. I think I'll just turn on the TV and watch something. One hundred channels to choose from? Oh my God.

Letters



All East County Community Newspapers welcome letters to the editor via fax in addition to the more conventional means. Our fax telephone number is 619-445-6776.

Our Santee office address 8781 Cuyamaca St. Our Alpine address is 2144 Alpine Boulevard. Our U.S. Mail address is P.O. Box 1089, Alpine, CA 91903. All letters **must** include your name, community and phone number for verification. ECCN reserves the right to edit any letter.

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COMMENTARY

The challenge of diversity

By Joe Naiman

The problem with teaching diversity in the schools is that it is being forced on students. Items such as race, cultural or gender sensitivity are part of the curriculum, but if the reason for adhering to them is to get a good grade, there's no guarantee the student will take these things into account when no grade is on the line.

In the private sector, however, attempts to provide understanding of the other race, culture, or gender are more successful. In the business world, diversity translates into increased knowledge. In the entertainment sector, diversity provides unique cultural gifts. In the musical world, diversity is a challenge to excel in a new area.

When I cover government I'm not supposed to get involved. When I cover karaoke I don't have that restriction. Some of the top male karaoke singers, who have wives and wear cowboy hats, don't see singing female-recorded songs as a lack of manliness. They see it as a challenge.

In the print media, I can't show

you how this is done, so let me encourage those male readers out there to do it yourselves.

Start with a song recorded by a female artist. Not a song which has been recorded by artists of both genders such as *Unchained Melody* or *I Need a Lover*, but one whose lyrics make it distinctly female, such as *Someday Soon*.

As you sing the words, let's see if you can change the references to a guy's lyrics. Change "there's a young man that I know" to "there's a young girl that I know." Change "his age is 21" to "her age is 21," and so on. It's a challenge, one that the top male karaoke singers accept not to satisfy feminists but to see how well they can adapt.

Once you've mastered that, try a more complicated song such as *Total Eclipse of the Heart*. This one is tougher, not only because Bonnie Tyler has more of a range than Judy Collins but also because there are only a couple of references to the opposite sex so, instead of having them constantly on your mind as was the case with *Someday Soon* they sneak up on you and you have

to be prepared.

If you get through that, the final diversity exercise here is to sing *Bohemian Rhapsody*. This one isn't a lesson about gender sensitivity, but about diversity itself. *Bohemian Rhapsody* has a number of distinct parts which challenge a good karaoke singer.

In fact, one of the attractions of Queen was the singers' versatility. In addition to the classical-leaning *Bohemian Rhapsody*, they could sing doo-wop with *Crazy Little Thing Called Love*, rap with *Another One Bites the Dust*, punk for *We Will Rock You*, hard rock for *Killer Queen*, and other styles which gave them an appeal beyond the cumulative appreciation of their individual songs. In Queen's case this was musical diversity, which translated into recognition of their wide musical talent.

When seen as a sacrifice, diversity will never be accepted. When seen as a challenge, diversity will be encouraged. The schools should take a lesson from the karaoke world and recognize that the best way to achieve diversity is to make it a challenge, not an assignment.

SECOND THOUGHTS

Kosovo — A clone?

By Robert Conyers

The callous savagery in Kosovo is only a clone of the pillage, destruction and slaughter applied by mankind to its affairs in the past. Five thousand years of "past." During all this time there was the periodic ravaging and plundering of Babylon, Rome, Jerusalem, Greece and almost any other centers of timely interest.

Certainly one of the genetic forebears of Kosovo was during World War I when the Turks forced the expulsion of 1,750,000 Armenians to Syria and Mesopotamia; 600,000 died of starvation or were killed by Turkish soldiers and police.

Any good encyclopedia will list at least two dozen examples of massacres, but they range in quality from the St. Valentine's Day shooting in 1929 by the Al Capone gang of rival bootleggers in Chicago, to the Confederates who burned and buried alive 300 black federal troops (and their families) at Fort Pillow, Tennessee, in April 1864, and "up to" the Rape of Nanking, December 1937, where some estimated 300,000 were raped and killed and the city looted and burned.

The Spanish Inquisition, beginning in 1481, had a different blood type for this cloning, as did Sherman's March to the Sea in 1864, although Southerners differ.

The eight major expeditions under the banner of the Crusades, from 1095 to 1291, were organized by Popes and the kings of France and Germany. The Christians fought against Muslim powers at first only to gain possession or control of

Jerusalem. In 1099, Jerusalem did fall to the Crusaders, who with Christian enthusiasm slaughtered the Muslim and Jewish inhabitants. At times, 4,000 mounted knights and 25,000 infantry were enlisted in what turned out to be multi-purpose campaigns (also think logistics).

The Crusades certainly differed in design from the mess in the Balkans, although there are similar secondary concerns about the cycle of Muslim influence. But the fact of the European nation-states and the Church acting in concert for a common purpose, expensively and at a distance, without having an acquisition of territory as a primary goal appears to be forerunner of NATO and its problems today.

The focus of NATO and the United Nations comes, not from religious aggression, or competition, but from a recognition of the primacy of the individual human being and certain fundamental "across-all-borders" rights. Since 1945 the U.N. has established this principle in its charter and struggled with practical protections to implement the lesson the world was taught by 5,700,000 Jews dead after Hitler's "final solution."

Feeble to absent in Rwanda and Burundi, the U.N. is disparaged politically in Kosovo: "If you didn't go there, why are you here?" Differences in the risks of confrontation between neighboring powers and the dangers of spreading global war should be obvious.

Conyers is a retired El Cajon Superior Court judge.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Community partly at fault

By Scott Myers

I talk with friends and teachers and their opinion on the recent Colorado high school massacre is that this community is partly at fault. To tell you the truth, I can't agree with their opinions. What we have to do is stop blaming everything on either the music they listen to, or the television programs that they watch. These things are in our lives for three reasons: entertainment, careers, and something to blame.

The people of the United States need to look at other things that might be responsible for the incident. Here's an idea: why don't we blame ourselves. Do it just this once and we may actually prevent this from happening again. The two young men that committed the crime were harassed by other people and they weren't accepted by others.

Now, honestly, do you actually think about the long-term affects of an insult before you say it? Most of the time, no. I don't. But, when I do say something, I mean it as a joke, and my friends and family know that. However, this is not the case in this situation. People cut these students down for about three years and that anger they felt just built up and they couldn't hold it in anymore, so they did this.

Already the people that said something to them to demolish their position in society are at fault. But not it's time to look at the people that didn't say anything to the au-

thorities. This group, this "gang" they made a video tape in their high school English class stating who they were going to murder. Their web site has a list of names of the people they were going to kill, and a lot of them did.

Now tell me, is this not a good enough sign that something serious is about to happen? And the fact that the authorities didn't see this as a warning is disturbing. Why anyone didn't see this as a warning is just baffling. We must stop finding other things to blame besides ourselves. I will be the first person to say that I'm truly sorry for hurting anyone's feelings in the past. I will admit that I've made remarks that probably have hurt and I understand that what I said or did to them is wrong.

If you know that you have said something to someone that may be offensive or hurtful to them, then simply walk up to them and say that you're sorry before something inside of them snaps and they don't feel like being your friend. I am a

tenth grader and I can only say that we need to look in the mirror and say that we're to blame.

Scott Myers is an East County teen.



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OBITUARIES

Francis T. DuFon

Francis T. DuFon, of Lemon Grove, died at Grossmont Hospital in La Mesa April 30, 1999 at the age of 81.

Mr. DuFon was born in Whiting, Indiana and lived in Lemon Grove for 54 years. He was a Correctional Officer for the County of San Diego Probation Department. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII and was a member of St. John of the Cross Catholic Church. He was active in the 348 Desert Rats, Boy Scouts of American and was awarded the Silver Beaver Award, he was the former manager and coach of the Lemon Grove Little League, he was an Honorary Life Member of the P.T.A. He and his wife, Pearl DuFon, cared for many foster children in their home throughout many years.

He and Pearl were married on May 13, 1949. He is survived by daughters Doris Fulton, of Big Bear, and Cherrie Morales of Lemon Grove; sons Albert Wilson, of Boise, Idaho, John DuFon, of Lemon Grove, and Thomas J. DuFon, of Encinitas; brothers Kenneth DuFon, of Spring Valley, and Robert DuFon, of Hammon, Ind.; 13 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren.

Mass was said at St. John of the Cross on May 5, followed by burial at Holy Cross cemetery. Viewing was held on May 4 at the Conrad Lemon Grove Mortuary.

Henry "Hank" Fenstermacher

Henry "Hank" Fenstermacher, of Lemon Grove, died on April 23, 1999 at the age of 76.

Mr. Fenstermacher was born in Genena, Utah, March 28, 1923 and lived in Lemon Grove for several years. He was a grocery clerk for Safeway Stores, Inc. He was active in the Lemon Grove Senior Citizens Group and volunteered to deliver meals to the homes of seniors throughout the valley for the Grove Mesa Nutrition Center Meals for Seniors program.

He is survived by his wife Lupe C. Fenstermacher; stepdaughters Nina Cook of Bremerton, Wash., Carol Clayton, of Kent, Wash., and Liz Escobar of Lemon Grove; stepsons Tom Jaime, of Spring Valley, and Rick Jaime of Bonita; 10 grandchildren; two great grandchildren.

Private services were held on April 26, 1999 at the Conrad Lemon Grove Mortuary.

Mildred Leona Latulippe

Mildred Leona Latulippe, of Lemon Grove, died in San Diego, April 28, 1999, at the age of 88.

Mrs. Latulippe was born in Simco, Ontario, Canada, April 23, 1911 and was a resident of Lemon Grove for 46 years.

She was a self-employed homemaker and was very active at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, in the Ladies of Columbus and Catholic Daughters of America and St. John's Women's Club there.

She enjoyed doing ceramics and all other types of crafts.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Latulippe, in 1988.

She is survived by three daughters Doreen Ortmeier, of Potrero, Annette Doiron, of Lakeside, and Mary Palmyesa of Gilbert Ariz., and two sons, James Latulippe of Escondido and Jerome Latulippe, of San Marcos; 21 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren.

Mass was said on May 1 at Holy Cross Mausoleum Chapel, and interment at Holy Cross Cemetery.

East County Community Newspapers cover the news from LaMesa to Jacumba every week.

William Weese Hall

Retired Navy Commander William Weese Hall, 86, died on April 29 at the Community Convalescent Hospital after a valiant battle with cancer and other health problems.

Cdr. Hall was retired from the Navy after an affiliation of 26 years that included two wars (WWII and Korean), active sea duty and the Naval Reserve. Hall lived with his second wife, Cornelia Pace Hall in Lemon Grove for the past 18 years. They traveled extensively and enjoyed books and music.

Born in Chicago Illinois in 1912, William graduated from Evanston High School and DePaul University where he was a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Beta Phi. He spent most of his civilian life in sales, marketing and advertising. In 1977, he retired as the western advertising sales manager for Geyer McAllister Publishers.

William was an Eagle Scout, flew the flag daily, was an active member of the local VFW, the Elks and the AARP. He loved sailing, was a gun owner and a safe shooter, and a member of the NRA.

Survivors include his wife Cornelia, daughters Karin Stacy

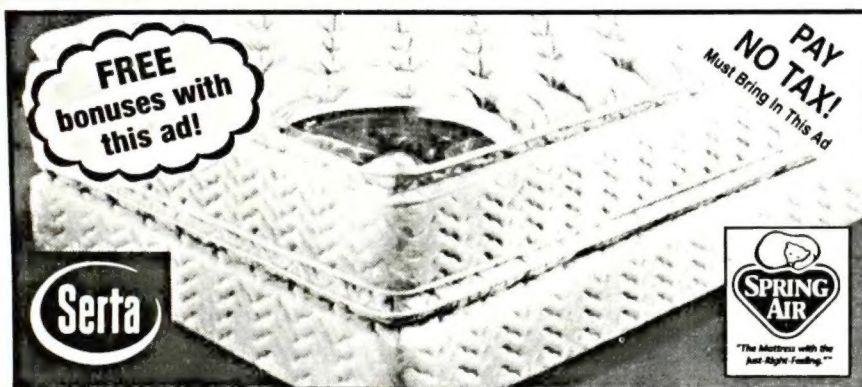
Hall and Wendy Hall of Athens Ohio, and sister Harriet Heckman of Noblesville, Ind. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Frances Wissel Hall in 1967.

A memorial service was held on May 4 at the Lemon Grove VFW #2082, located at 2885 Lemon Grove Ave. Donations can be made in his name to Disabled American Veterans, 8810 Food Bank, 2285 Decatur Street, San Diego, CA 92106.

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BIO PEPTIDE CO. LLC

located at: 11175 Flintkote #B in: San Diego, CA 92121 is hereby registered by the following owner:

BIO PEPTIDE CO. LLC

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company

The transaction of business began on: 3/25/99

Signature of Registrant:

MIKHAIL B. FREYDKIN

PRESIDENT AND CEO

This statement was filed with Gregory J. Smith the Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on MAR 31, 1999

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

Assigned File No 99008405

The Name of the Business:

LAKESIDE CHIROPRACTIC

located at: 9926 Maine Ave. in: Lakeside, CA 92040 (Mailing address: P.O. Box 711593, Santee, CA 92072) is hereby registered by the following owner:

LAURIE HOGARD-ROBERTS

DC

13843 CAMINO CANADA, #15

EL CAJON 92021

This business is conducted by: a an Individual

The transaction of business began on: N/A

Signature of Registrant:

LAURIE HOGARD

ROBERTS, DC

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TS No.: 19990958600271 Loan No.: 1757083 FHA/VA/MI No. 454562144714 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/10/93 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On May 27, 1999 at 10:00 AM, Lonestar Mortgage Services, L.L.C., as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 05/20/93, as Instrument No. 1993-0320331, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of SAN DIEGO County, State of California. Executed by ROBERT L. RUMSEY, AND VIRGINIA D. RUMSEY, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924(hb), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) AT THE SOUTH ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 220 WEST BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA. All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: As more fully described in the above mentioned Deed of Trust APN# 395-260-19-00. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 13132 PALM LANE, LAKESIDE, CA 92040. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$144,672.29. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Date: 05/05/99, Lonestar Mortgage Services, L.L.C., as Trustee, BRUCE COCKLIN, Authorized Signature, FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916) 974-6099, 15000 Surveyor Boulevard, Suite 250, Addison, Texas 75001, LONESTAR MORTGAGE SERVICES, L.L.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NPP0062285, 05/06/99, 05/13/99, 05/20/99

at 10:00AM, to the highest bidder payable at the time of sale to: cash a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Financial Code section 5102, and authorized to do business in California. The sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust executed by Karl H. Sturckow and Roxanne Sturckow husband and wife as joint tenants, as trustee, recorded on 10/8/97, Instrument 97-501840, of Official Records of San Diego County. The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of the notice is \$527,676.26, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonably estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Dated 4/20/99 Premier Trust Deed Services, Inc., 3 ADA Irvine, California 92618, Trustee Sale Information Number (916) 387-7732, Premier Trust Deed Services, Inc. By Heather Bloed, Assistant Secretary, ASAP355739 04/29 05/06 06/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

Assigned File No 990010153

The Name of the Business:

DALTON & PRIVES

located at: 3333 Mendian Avenue in: San Diego, CA 92115-7203 is hereby registered by the following owners:

JACKIE CORLIN

3333 MERIDIAN AVENUE

SAN DIEGO, CA 92115-7203

JANET COOLING

3333 MERIDIAN AVENUE

SAN DIEGO, CA 92115

This business is conducted by: a a General Partnership

The transaction of business began on: 4/8/1999

Signature of Registrant:

JACKIE CORLIN

This statement was filed with Gregory J. Smith the Recorder/County Clerk of San Diego County on APR 08, 1999

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

Assigned File No 99011725

The Name of the Business:

CYBER-TYME INC.

located at: 12905 Mapleview St., #85 in: Lakeside, CA 92040 is hereby registered by the following owner:

MELISSA TERRY

12905 MAPLEVIEW ST., #85

LAKESIDE, CA 92040

This business is conducted by: a an Individual

The transaction of business began on: N/A

Signature of Registrant:

MELISSA L. TERRY

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•La Mesa•

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PUBLIC NOTICES

•Spring Valley•

**SPRING VALLEY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
& DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
PRELIMINARY AGENDA REGULAR MEETING
OTAY WATER DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS
2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd., Spring Valley, CA 91977
Tuesday, May 11, 1999**

**7:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, & APPROVAL OF
PRIOR MINUTES.**

1. OPEN FORUM: Opportunity for members of the public to speak on any subject within the Group's jurisdiction but not on the agenda. No decision or vote. 3 minute limit.
2. ACTION/INFORMATIONAL LAND USE PROJECTS:
(ADDITIONAL PROJECTS WILL MOST LIKELY APPEAR ON THE FINAL AGENDA - See Below--)
A. Vote to authorize the Chairman's Appeal of PERB Decision of April 29th 1999 to approve P98-018, San Martin De Porres very "low income" affordable housing development (The MAAC Project). Chair Lester.
- B. Assignments. Chair Lester.
3. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:
A. GP2020, General Plan Update Report. Chair Lester
B. SR125 "Sweetwater". Chair Lester
C. Pointe Project. Gerry

- D. Code Compliance Assistance. March
- E. Design Review Manual Revision. Vice Chair Ferguson
- F. Trails. Gerry
4. POLICY AND ORDINANCE REVIEW
5. CHAIR REPORT
6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE ITEMS
7. ADJOURN

PUBLIC STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION ON
ISSUES WILL BE LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES each.

There is a Seat Vacancy available on the SVPG. Representation from the southern Spring Valley area is needed. Citizens interested in community improvement and having the time to devote to its service are encouraged to inquire about this appointed/elected position at 461-1648.

THE FINAL AGENDA WILL BE POSTED ON SATURDAY, BY 7:00 P.M., AT THE SPRING VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, LOCATED AT 8735 JAMACHA BLVD. AND THE OTAY WATER DISTRICT HQS LOCATED AT 2554 SWEETWATER SPRINGS BLVD.

The next meeting of the SVPG will be May 25th, 1999

Spring Valley Bulletin
May 6, 1999

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CALIFORNIA AUCTION AD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the contents of the following storage units will be offered for sale by public auction to highest bidder for enforcement of storage lien. The auction will be held on May 13, 1999 at 10:30 a.m. Location: Storage USA, 9180 Ja-

macha Rd., Spring Valley, CA 91977

Terms: Cash, Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any bid or cancel auction.

Name of Auctioneer: William K. Ritch, Bond # WLI-1109970

The following units are scheduled for auction. The units may contain, but are not limited to: furniture, clothing, children's toys, household items, etc.

Units:
Daffenne Frost - BA01, Carolyn Brown - D016, Carlene Copeland - EC04, George Daskalakis - G001, Tilcia Rose - H014, Michael Bowden - HA17, Kim Hopson - JE02, Frank Nava - K015, Terry Gibson - K020, Xavier Herrera - K027, Don Juan Thompson - LA02, Monica Burian - LD02, Regina Smith - LJ02.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, May 25, 1999, the La Mesa City Council will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located in La Mesa City Hall, 8130 Allison Avenue, to consider formation of the La Mesa Village Business Improvement District and to hear the first reading of a proposed ordinance forming the Business Improvement District. On Tuesday, June 22, 1999, the La Mesa City Council will hold a consolidated public hearing at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located in La Mesa City Hall, 8130 Allison Avenue, to hear the second reading of the ordinance. Any and all persons having any desire to be heard may appear and state their views for or against the formation of the aforementioned Business Improvement District, the extent of the area, or the proposed services and programs.

The following Resolution of Intention to establish the La Mesa Village Business Improvement District was passed by the La Mesa City Council on Tuesday, April 27, 1999.

Any challenges to the formation of a Business Improvement District may be presented in writing prior to or at the public meeting and the public hearing. Written comments to be considered at the public meeting should be submitted to the City Clerk at 8130 Allison Avenue by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 1999. Written comments to be considered at the consolidated public hearing should be submitted to the City Clerk at 8130 Allison Avenue by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, 1999. All testimony will be considered prior to a final determination being made. A majority protest will cause the assessment to be abandoned. Court challenges to the nature of the proposed action may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to, or prior to, the public meeting or the public hearing.

You are invited to attend and participate in any and all of the aforementioned public meetings. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact J. Elke Ertle in the Community Development Department at (619) 667-1192.

The City of La Mesa encourages the participation of disabled individuals in the services, activities and programs provided by the City. Individuals with disabilities, who require reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the City Council meetings, should contact the City's Americans With Disabilities Coordinator. Phone: (619) 667-1178.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-038

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ESTABLISH THE LA MESA VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA LAW OF 1989

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of La Mesa desires to form a Business Improvement District to be known as La Mesa Village Business Improvement District pursuant to the Parking and Business Improvement Area Law of 1989, codified as California Streets and Highways Code section 36600 et seq [Law], in accordance with the wishes of the many businesses in the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of La Mesa, as follows:

1. The Council declares its intention to form a parking and business improvement area to be known as La Mesa Village Business Improvement District [District] pursuant to the Law.

2. The area to be included in the District includes the La Mesa Village business community within the following address ranges:

Street Name	Address Range	Business Improvement District Zone No.
La Mesa Blvd.	7950-8099	2
La Mesa Blvd.	8100-8399	1
La Mesa Blvd.	8401-8419 (odd numbers only)	1
La Mesa Blvd.	8418-8489 except 8425, 8429, 8419	2
La Mesa Blvd.	8425, 8429	1
Lemon Ave.	8150-8436 (even numbers only)	1
Lemon Ave.	8233-8417 (odd numbers only)	2
Lemon Ave.	8454-8456 (even numbers only)	2
Allison Ave.	8151-8361 (odd numbers only)	1
Allison Ave.	8001-8149	2
Allison Ave.	8150-8390 (even numbers only)	2
4th St.	4700-4750	1
3rd St.	4700-4750	1
3rd St.	4675-4699	2
Palm Ave.	4700-4799	1
Palm Ave.	4800-4899	2
Palm Ave.	4600-4690 (even numbers only)	2

Street Name	Address Range	Business Improvement District Zone No.
Palm Ave.	4695	2
Spring St.	4700-4799	1
Spring St.	4800-4899	2
Spring St.	4654-4675 except 4674	2
Spring St.	4674, 4678	1
Date Ave.	4821, 4825	2
Date Ave.	4675-4699	1
Date Ave.	4731	1
Date Ave.	4750-4752	2
Acacia Ave.	4625	1
Acacia Ave.	4630	2
Orange Ave.	8111	1
Orange Ave.	8070, 8100	2
Pine St.	4809-4899	2
Pine St.	8310-8351	2
Cypress St.	4818-4899	2
University Ave.	7961-8425 (odd numbers only)	2
Nebo Dr.	4654-4690	2
Grant St.	8400-8450	1

A map depicting the proposed District is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

3. The purpose of forming the District as a parking and business improvement area under the Law is to provide revenue to defray the costs of services and programs which will benefit businesses in the area. The services and programs to be provided are those listed in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, and the services and programs listed thereon are the uses to which the revenue generated by the assessments to be levied will be put.

4. All businesses operating in the above-described area will be assessed a share of the costs of the services and programs according to the type of business and the benefit to be received as determined by the following:

A. Description of the District Zones

- (1) ZONE 1: All businesses in the La Mesa Village core as depicted on attached Exhibit A.
- (2) ZONE 2: All businesses surrounding the La Mesa Village core as depicted on attached Exhibit A.

B. Description of the District Categories of Benefit:

- (1) CATEGORY A: General Commercial
- (2) CATEGORY B: Professional Classification and all other business classifications excepting restaurants
- (3) CATEGORY C: Restaurants
- (4) Financial Institutions
- (5) Exclusions: Those businesses that are exempt from assessments. These include: independent booth renters and home based businesses.

(6) Businesses not specifically identified in CATEGORIES A, B, or C shall be categorized by the City of La Mesa's Administrative Services Department/Finance Division upon application for a City Business License.

C. Summary of Assessments:

(1) The assessments to be imposed for those District businesses by Zone, Category of Benefit, and Number of Employees are as follows:

ZONE 1				
Number of Employees	Category A	Category B	Category C	Financial Institutions
0-10	\$275	\$125	\$325	-
11-50	\$375	\$175	\$425	-
50+	\$750	\$350	\$850	-
Flat fee	-	-	-	\$750

ZONE 2				
Number of Employees	Category A	Category B	Category C	Financial Institutions
0-10	\$100	\$50	\$200	-
11-50	\$150	\$75	\$250	-
50+	\$300	\$100	\$450	-
Flat fee	-	-	-	\$750

(2) The above-described assessment is an annual charge and shall be levied, collected and enforced in the same manner, at the same time, and with the same penalties as in the case of the City business license. For those businesses taxed for other than an annual tax period, the City of La Mesa's Administrative Services Department/Finance Division shall determine the assessment to be levied upon issuance of the City business license.

(3) The total assessment collected from any business under the provisions of the ordinance shall not exceed \$850 per annum. The total estimated amount of revenue is \$64,425.00.

(4) The City of La Mesa's Administrative Services Department/Finance Division shall invoice financial institutions annually to collect a flat fee assessment of \$750.00. Invoicing and collection shall occur at the same time and with the same penalties as in the case of the City business license.

(5) Collected assessments shall be accounted for separately and passed through to the District on a monthly basis.

5. The Council finds and determines that the public convenience and necessity require the establishment of the area herein before described and that all the businesses lying within the area will be benefited by the expenditure of the funds raised by the assessments or charges proposed to be levied.

6. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.6, notice is given, that May 25, 1999, at the hour of 7 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of La Mesa City Hall, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California, is fixed as the time and place when the City Council shall conduct a public meeting where any and all persons having any desire to be heard may appear and state their views for or against the formation of the aforementioned parking and business improvement area, the extent of the district, or the proposed services and programs on the attached Exhibit A. Also, pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.6 and California Streets and Highways Code Section 36621, notice is given, that June 22, 1999, at the hour of 7 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of La Mesa City Hall, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California, is fixed as the time and place when the City Council shall conduct a consolidated public hearing where any and all persons having any desire to be heard may appear and state their views for or against the formation of the aforementioned parking and business improvement area, the extent of the area, or the proposed services and programs on the attached Exhibit A.

7. Pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 36524, valid written protests from owners paying 50 percent or more of the proposed assessment will prevent further action to form the district for one year.

8. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the aforementioned hearing by both publication and mailing pursuant to Section 36523 of the Law.

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of La Mesa, that the Resolution of Intention to establish the La Mesa Village Business Improvement District pursuant to the Parking and Business Improvement Area Law of 1989 be adopted for the area of the City as outlined in Exhibit A.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of La Mesa, California, held on the 27th day of April 1999, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmembers Alm, Jantz, La Suer, Sterling and Mayor Madrid
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

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SPORTS

Santee Spring Soccer
Tournament a success

Photo by Michael Krawczak

Midfielder Matt Krawczak, of the Santee Cows, dribbles around an Ontario player in the Division 2 Boys Winners Bracket Final of the Santee Spring Tournament, on April 25th. Playing at Prospect School in Santee, the Cows prevailed, 4-0, to take 1st place honors.

By Michael Krawczak

The T-shirts and programs proclaimed, "Where 52 Ends & the Games Begin." Throughout the April 24-25 weekend, this was well in evidence, as over 165 youth soccer games played out across sixteen Santee and two Lakeside fields. There were five age brackets for boys and girls, ranging from Division 5 (Under 10 years of age) up to Division 1 (Under 19). Seventy-six teams competed. These included a record thirteen Santee entries endeavoring to win their home town tournament, eight teams from Arizona, and one from the San Francisco region that flew down for the weekend. Additionally, four teams participated in the "VIP" division, which provided a schedule of games for children with disabilities.

"Everything went well," declared tournament director Jamie Wirick, despite the unseasonably cool temperatures. "It was good soccer weather, but not good spectator weather."

In each division, pool games filled the Saturday schedule, with many teams playing four grueling games that day. With the Sunday schedule divided into Winners and Consolation brackets, virtually every team remained in contention for a medal, regardless of how their Saturday games played out.

Teams were also in the running for Sportsmanship awards - acrylic figurines of a soccer player kicking a ball - which were awarded to one boys and one girls team in each division. Referees voted for these awards, based on the level of good sportsmanship exhibited by each team. In the case of the fiercely competitive Division 1 and 2 teams, Wirick explained (only partially in jest), these awards were presented to the teams that received the fewest red and yellow cards on the field.

When Sundays finals had finished, East County teams fared quite well. The Santee Cows took the Division 2 Boys Winners bracket, with a 4-0 victory over Ontario. Michael Orona and Sean Foley each scored twice. This game avenged a 2-0 loss to Ontario the previous afternoon, which was the Cows' only loss, and also the only game in which they allowed a goal. Victorious Coach John Foley praised the "total team effort. We came to play and were focused." Goalkeeper Garret Guenther allowed just the two goals in five games, one of which occurred on a penalty kick.

The Division 4 Girls Winners bracket featured two East County teams. La Mesa West Coast United defeated Santee Tidal Wave, 6-0. As a team, United had not even scrimmaged together prior to this tournament. Eight players had played together on the La Mesa All-Star team. Not wanting their team to end, they convinced Coach Ginger Hartnett to keep the core together for the spring tournament season. In the Santee tournament, three girls scored four goals each, and two defenders also scored their first goals.

"They're a team," Hartnett declared with pride. United is a family venture, with Hartnett sharing coaching duties with her husband, Gary. Their fourteen-year-old son, Zack, also assists, and is the team trainer. Kristi French was the top scorer for Tidal Wave. Alicia Ashworth was strong as goalkeeper.

"It was a great team effort," declared Santee coach Peter Burrell. "The girls pulled together and worked hard." Burrell also singled out the contributions of his assistant coach, Matt Haydon.

Other East County teams to earn medals included: Division 3 Boys,

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Helix Water District will receive on or before 10:00 a.m., May 20th, 1999 bids for PIPELINE PROJECT 2850 in the City of Lemon Grove, City of El Cajon and County of San Diego.

All items of work shall be as more particularly enumerated and described in the Bid Form and other contract documents forming a part of and in strict conformity with the "Plans and Specifications" for PIPELINE PROJECT 2850 available at the office of said District, 7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, California, and shall include the following:

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- Item 5 Furnish and install approximately 1,1" water lateral per Standard Drawing 2 and connect to exist. meter.
- Item 6 Furnish and install approximately 2, 6" Fire Hydrant Assemblies with 4 protective posts.
- Item 7 Furnish and install approximately 1, 6" Fire Hydrant assemblies with 4 protective posts and check valve.
- Item 8 Furnish and install approximately 1, 6" Fire Hydrant Assemblies (Minus Head).
- Item 9 Furnish and install approximately 1, 6" Fire Hydrant Assemblies minus head with 4 protective posts.
- Item 10 Furnish and install approximately 1, 6" Fire Hydrant Assemblies with retaining wall.
- Item 11 Furnish and install approximately 2, 6" Fire Hydrant Assemblies.
- Item 12 Furnish and install approximately 1,442' of 2" Hi-line
- Item 13 Cut and repair approximately 22 Sewer Laterals.
- Item 14 Cut existing water main and plug with approximately 16 Concrete Plugs.

The work shall include the furnishing of any and all required labor, transportation, services, and material, for the hauling, distributing, excavating, laying, caulking, tapping, assembling, testing, backfilling, and restoring all pavement and surfacing where necessary for the construction of PIPELINE PROJECT 2850 complete as shown on the plans and in the specifications.

The District reserves the right after opening bids to reject any or all bids.

It is especially called to the attention of the bidder that the work placed under contract shall be commenced by the Contractor within 15 days after the date of the letter giving notice to the Contractor to proceed; the official starting date shall be said 15th day and work shall be completed within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days, including Sundays and holidays from such official starting date.

Bidders are hereby notified that pursuant to Labor Code, Section 1773, the District has obtained the prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work applicable in this locality from the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations for each craft, classification, or type of workman needed to execute this contract. A copy of these prevailing rates is on file at the office of the District and may be secured upon request by any interested party. The successful bidder shall post a copy thereof at each job site. (See Labor Code, Section 1773.2)

Bidders are hereby notified that pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 6109, contractors or subcontractors who are ineligible to perform work on a public works project pursuant to Section 1777.1 or Section 1777.7 of the California Labor Code shall not be allowed to perform any portion or the work contemplated herein. Any subcontractor between the Contractor and a debarred subcontractor shall be void as a matter of law, and the debarred subcontractor shall not receive any payment for performing such work. Any public money that has been paid to the debarred subcontractor on the project shall be returned to the Owner. The Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of wages to workers of a debarred subcontractor who has been allowed to work on the project.

Each bid job shall be made out on a form attached to and forming a part of the specifications, which can be obtained at the office of the Helix Water District, 7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, California, and shall be sealed and filed with the Secretary of the Board of Directors of said District on or before May 20, 1999, and read aloud on or after 10:00 a.m. of that day in the office of the Board of Directors of said District.

Each bid shall be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check, or bond secured from a surety company satisfactory to the Board of Directors of said District, the amount of which cash, check, or bond shall not be less than 10% of said bid made payable to the order of the Helix Water District. Said cash, check, or bond shall be given as a guarantee that the bidder, within six (6) days after being notified to do so, will enter into a contract and provide the necessary bonds and certificate of insurance. The cash, check, or bond will be declared forfeited if the successful bidder fails to comply within said time.

At the option of the bidder, bid proposals may be accompanied by cash equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid instead of a cashier's or certified check or a corporate surety bond. No interest will be paid on any cash that is submitted.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price. Said bonds shall be secured from a company which is an admitted surety insurer in the State of California, and if the company is not listed in the current U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570, it shall be required to furnish the documents described in Section 995.660 (a) of the California Code of Civil Procedure in order for the District to determine the sufficiency of the insurer. Bonds shall be on forms provided by the District in these Contract Documents. The successful bidder shall also be required to meet the insurance requirements of the District as set forth in the General Conditions. All of said bond and insurance requirements shall be completed and submitted to the District within six (6) calendar days from the date the District gives written notice of its intentions to award the contract. Failure to meet these requirements within the allotted time shall be sufficient cause for rejection of bid.

Pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code of the State of California, Contractor may request the District to make retention payments directly to an escrow agent or may substitute securities for any money withheld by District to ensure performance under the contract. At the request and expense of Contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld shall be deposited with District or with a state or federally chartered bank as the escrow agent, who shall return such securities to Contractor upon satisfactory completion of the contract. Deposit of securities with an escrow agent shall be subject to a written agreement substantially in the form provided in Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

No bid will be accepted from a Contractor who is not licensed in accordance with the law of the State of California as a Class A or C-34 Contractor.

The said Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or waive any irregularity in a bid. Forms of Proposal, Contract, Plans, and Specifications may be obtained upon application to the District.

Dated: La Mesa, California
April 28, 1999

By Order of the Board of Directors

La Mesa Forum
May 6, 1999

HELIX WATER DISTRICT

By /s/ LYNN E. YOUNG
Lynn E. Young, Board Secretary

Greeting Sports fans....

Hello again and welcome to the fiftieth running of the SportsBeat Stakes, an exciting, interactive column that allows YOU, the viewer to program just what you read. Don't believe me? Well then, listen to this from local La Mesa Little League correspondent, Craig Klein:

"On April 28, the La Mesa Vista (Minors Division) Wolfpack won their 10th straight game, defeating an unknown team, 6-1. Kate Runyan and Amanda Vesco continued to show a sharp eye at the plate, while pitcher Jamie Sandoval (you remember, from last week?) battled out of a bases-load-nobody-out jam.

"Offensively, Leah Nehrer slapped a two-run triple and Chris Hammerr beat out a nifty infield drag bunt. Oh, by the way, my son, Andrew seemed to have broken his collarbone before the game and will be out at least four to six weeks. He's all right, however."

Thanks, Craig, now over to our fearless Lakeside reporter, Pat Hat, in Curio, Arizona.

"Thanks, Greg. Curio, Arizona, crumbling remnant of the Old West or the last visiting place of El Capitan's prep baseball, tennis, swimming, golf and boys' volleyball teams? You decide. Nevertheless, the Vaqueros continue to keep (Bob) hope alive in the Grossmont League North, while their younger brethren and cistern over at the Boys & Girls Clubs are forming new and different sports teams to cheer on.

"Sign up now for coed Track & Field (they will participate in the county championships in Poway this weekend, after taking it all last season; karate classes, held every Wednesday (6 p.m.) and Saturday (5 p.m.), taught by Ken Shannon, a seventh degree black belt; and Girls' (sixth grade and up) Only Weight Training, Tuesdays and Thursday (2:15-3 p.m.).

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The late sportswriter Sid Luft once said, "Never does a man stand so tall as when he's standing in someone else's loafers." Sid may not have been coherent most of the time, but he knew his footwear. As do our very own Padres, who, despite dropping two of three to the Pittsburgh Pirates and New York Mets, then being swept by the Cubs, continue to have a most dismal season, so far. Unfortunately, with no more Kevin It's-Not-About-The-Money Brown to destroy urinals and locker rooms, the

team has lost that valuable "head case" to tell them things aren't going so well.

Even the "Swinging Friar" (which is really a big monk costume with a guy from La Mesa inside of it) isn't doing too much smiling these days, and who can blame him? Not much better for our San Diego (hockey) Gulls, who, for whatever reason, dropped the first three games of the championship series to Tacoma before rallying to take the fourth contest on the road, 5-3. They played Tuesday at the Sports Arena, so if they're still alive when you read this on Friday that means they won.

Sports Beat

By Greg Eichelberger

If you were a precocious little 10-year old local kid (Wintergardens Elementary) who plays Little League (Lakeside American Minors Padres), roller hockey, and Pop Warner football, what would you want to be when you grew up? Well, if you're cute-as-a-button Nicholas Del Sol, you'd want to be a professional, MODEL. Right? Just nabbed to attend a fancy-schmancy modeling convention in the Big Apple with sister Alexandra, 17, Nick (as he's known to close friends) has put sports on the back burner, all except baseball, that is. Now, consumed with fund-raising activities, he is desperately trying

to scrape together the capital that could make him the only Lakesider EVER to become a professional celebrity. You can still help the tyke get to New York and achieve his goal by dropping him a few tax deductible dollars here and there, though, by calling 390-9515.

Remember, this column is all about local sports and recreation. The reason for this is simple, I write about sports news because sports is an important part of life, keeping us fit in our bodies as the rest of the paper keeps us fit in our minds.

These articles are run on the principle that a well-written column is one of the basic necessities of life, liberty and the pursuit of a paycheck. If you'd like to know more, please call 390-2975 (or E-mail ikeforum@juno.com). Plus, if Craig Klein can call in HIS Little League pieces, logic would have it that OTHER coaches could do the same thing, and get

THEIR kids' names in print. It could take off like sliced whole wheat potato bread, if we'd just let it.

Until then, have a great sports week.

Randy Nelson sets track record

by Joe Naiman

Correspondent

EL CAJON — In his second night at the Cajon Speedway May 1, Randy Nelson set the eight-lap track record for the Grand American Modified division.

Nelson's time of 2:12.44 was a full second less than Mike Salm's two-week-old record of 2:13.62. Salm had surged to an early lead in the eight-lap heat race, but Nelson passed Salm on the fourth lap.

"He was moving," Nelson said of Salm. "The rear clip was working good on that car." Nelson's win gave him not only the track record but also the pole position in the main event.

"We've got a super good team, and a lot of people are helping us," Nelson said after setting the Modifieds record. "We were super fast in practice, so we knew we had a good car."

Nelson's father and uncle were both mechanics at the Cajon Speedway in the 1970s and early 1980s. The Nelson brothers also competed in the Destruction Derby events during that era.

The son of Dave Nelson and nephew of Mike Nelson was a newborn when he first started coming to the track. "It's kind of my home track even though I never raced here," Randy Nelson said.

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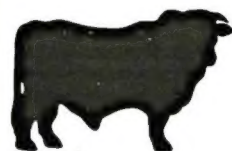
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Soccer

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Lakeside, Winners bracket, 2nd place Division 3 Boys, La Mesa, Consolation bracket, 2nd place Division 4 Boys, Jamul Jaguars, Consolation bracket, 2nd place Division 5 Boys, Santee Junior Cows, Consolation bracket, 1st place Division 5 Boys, Santee Stingrays, Consolation bracket, 2nd place Division 1 Girls, El Cajon Fury F.C., Winners Bracket, 2nd place Division 1 Girls, Santee Second Wind, Consolation Bracket, 2nd place Division 3 Girls, El Cajon, Consolation bracket, 2nd place Division 4 Girls, El Cajon Strikers, Consolation bracket, 2nd place Division 5 Girls, La Mesa United, Winners Bracket, 2nd place.

Local teams took home the bulk of Sportsmanship awards:

Division 3 Boys, El Cajon Flash Division 5 Boys, Santee Stingrays Division 1 Girls, El Cajon Fury F.C. Division 2 Girls, Santee Cyclones Division 4 Girls, El Cajon Strikers Division 5 Girls, Santee Whatever.

A Saturday night tradition at the Santee tournament is a "Soccer Blast," held this year at Santana High School. Danny Martinez and Beth Wilson coordinated this event, where food and entertainment were provided, and players from near and far could try to dunk their favorite coach or tournament official.

Wirick pointed out that the tournament was run completely by volunteers. Don Crawford manned the hot seat at tournament headquarters throughout the weekend. Each year, months of effort and meetings go into making this tournament a sucLeague are key factors. The city approved permits for signs and expanded parking.

At the Rio Seco field, Little League took down their temporary fences to allow use of a field for soccer.

"We appreciate everything they did," added Wirick.

Because Santee lacked enough fields for the older children, two back fields at Lakeside's El Capitan High School were used.

Unfortunately, the tournament was denied a permit to use El Capitan's varsity football field.

A profit of \$10,000 to \$15,000 is anticipated from the tournament, all of which will be returned to the city for field development. Earlier this year, Santee AYSO gave \$10,000 to the Santee School District for work on fields.

"I don't know of any other organization in Santee that does that," Wirick declared.

At age five, the Santee Spring Tournament has truly become a tradition.

Nelson

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16 this year, nobody under 18 could drive at the Cajon Speedway.

Nelson raced dwarf cars and mini-sprints on dirt tracks which allowed younger drivers, including Barona, Perris, Yuma, Ventura, and El Centro. He made his debut in the Craftsman Truck series in 1997 and began racing in the Winston West series in 1998.

Last November he participated in the NASCAR race in Japan. Nelson hadn't even planned to run at the Cajon Speedway May 1, since the Winston West tour was racing at Fontana that day. But Nelson didn't have a sponsor for the California Speedway race and fell back on the track with which he grew up. Nelson had purchased his Cajon Speedway car from Randy Rattray, who is on paternity leave from racing this season. "We bought this car so we could come back on off-nights to

race here," Nelson said.

Rattray's roll cage remains. Most of the rest of the car has been redone by Nelson's crew. "We've concentrated on building a good car," Nelson said.

Nelson is a lifelong resident of El Cajon who attended Christian Elementary School and Christian High School. He considers his first race on the Cajon Speedway track April 17 an instance of coming back.

So far, Nelson has struggled in main event wins. On his first race night behind a Modifieds steering wheel, Nelson was running third in the main event before a radiator hose broke. Nelson ran second in the main event May 1, but as the white flag was thrown Nelson and Steve Dickerson made contact with each other, sending both to the back.

Despite Nelson's problems, he enjoys competing in the Modifieds. "Everyone runs super clean, it seems like everyone's super nice, so it's a fun class."

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WEEKENDER

PARENTAL MOVIE GUIDE

By Billie Jo Tucker
Correspondent

ECCN publishes a monthly list of new releases that offers more information than the Motion Picture Association of America's letter ratings. Our guide lists areas that might cause concern but is presented only as a resource for parents and offers no judgment of artistic quality nor is it intended as an effort at censorship.

May films include:

A Midsummer Night's Dream (PG-13). Fairies, lovers, and fools cavort in William Shakespeare's comic fantasy. Sensuality and nudity.

Black Cat, White Cat (R). Family feuds and forced marriages highlight this Gypsy comedy. Strong language, drug use, and some violence.

Black Mask (R). Martial arts expert fights Chinese supervillains. Action violence and strong language.

Endurance (PG). World champion long-distance runner goes from childhood in Ethiopia to Olympic victory. Brief nudity.

Entrapment (PG-13). Art thief and posing investigator team up for heist of the century. Sexuality, violence, strong language, glorification of thievery.

eXistenZ (R). Security guard saves video game designer's life, then gets involved in one of her games. Violence, strong language, sexuality.

Get Real (R). Two English teenagers fall in love. Strong language and sexual content.

Notting Hill (PG-13). Famous actress falls for bookstore owner who then faces unwanted publicity. Sexual content and brief strong language.

Star Wars: The Phantom Menace (Not Rated Yet). In a galaxy far, far away, a young queen tries to save her people from total annihilation. Sci-fi action and violence.

Tea With Mussolini (PG). English eccentrics and American art collector have love affair with Italy in mid-1930s. Brief nudity, some mild violence and strong language.

The Castle (R). Australian tow-truck driver struggles to keep his home after refusing offer from airport authorities. Some strong language, but positive values emphasized.

The Love Letter (R). Various residents of small town suspect an unsigned love letter was meant for them. Sexual situations and strong language.

The Mummy (PG-13). Mercenaries discover an ancient tomb and unleash wrath of 3,000-year-old Egyptian priest. Fantasy action violence and cartoonish gore.

The Winslow Boy (G). Family attempts to win back honor of a young Naval College student accused of a theft. Some strong language.

This Is My Father (R). Teacher and his nephew visit Ireland to unearth their family's murky history. Sexuality, suicide, and brief strong language.

Three Seasons (PG-13). Stories about Vietnam, including one about a veteran searching for his long-lost daughter. Intense emotional themes.

COMING SOON...

Your weekly guide to area entertainment and events

La Jolla Stage Co. presents "Catch a Rising Star," a youth talent competition, May 8, 7:30 p.m. Parker Community Auditorium, La Jolla, 459-7773.

San Diego Civic Youth Ballet presents *Coming of Age*, May 7-9, **Casa del Prado Theater, Balboa Park**, 233-3060.

Lamplighter's Community Theatre presents *The Shop at Sly Corner*, an intrigue directed by Joe Nesnow, Now - May 16. **Lamplighter's Theater**, 18053 University Ave., La Mesa, 464-4598.

Octad-One presents *The Dresser* by Ronald Harwood, a funny and touching drama directed by Wayne Alan Erreca. Now-May 16, **The Octad-One Playhouse**, 10009 Maine Ave., Lakeside. 561-9823.

CYT presents *A Little Princess*, May 15-22, **Lewis Middle School**, 5710 **Greenbrier Ave.**, San Diego, 588-0206.

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SDSU Department of Theatre presents *A Midsummer's Night's Dream*, Now-May 9, **SDSU**, 594-6884.

Bill Silva Productions presents "The Michael Schenker" Group, 4th & B, May 12. "Eve 6," Cane's, San Diego, May 12. "Blondie," **SD State Open Air Theatre**, May 29. "Elvis Costello and Steve Nieve," **Copley Symphony Hall**, May 30. 220-TIXS.

'Entrapment' a star-driven thriller, but thrills are minor

By Diana Saenger
Weekender Editor

In addition to the thrilling aspects about two of the world's greatest art thieves working together, can the 40-years-old man really win the heart of the gorgeous young lady is the real question pondered in *Entrapment*.

Even the talented and sexy Sean Connery (Robert) brings doubt as to his romantic abilities when he's old enough to be Catherine Zeta-Jones' grandfather. Still, the story unfolds with interest, thanks mostly to the direction of Amiel and the art (Keith Pain and Michael Boone) and photography direction (Phil Meheux) that offer swanky scenes of high rises and bristling cites and present intriguing opportunities for the thieves.

"Gin," Baker (Jones) meets Robert in her hotel bedroom when he wants to know why she's following him. Recently sent out under the guise of an insurance investigator to find Robert, she tells him she wants to work with him.

Drawn in by her charm, beauty and obvious crime skills, Robert agrees. Since a little distrust exists on both sides, he first puts her to a test. When she passes he whisks her away to his castle by the sea, filmed at Scotland's lovely Isle of Mull. There the two work on their thievery skills and develop a relationship that keeps both of them on their toes. "*Entrapment* is a good yarn, with wit, and an intriguing romantic element that puts a real It's like a Peking Opera—each character has an agenda different from the one they initially appear to have."

One major heist leads to another and the trust issue between the two seems resolved — until



David Appleby

Sean Connery and Catherine Zeta-Jones star in *Entrapment*

plans go awry and the two turn endless tables on each other. The story seems to bog down midstream. The film's trailers show enterpris-

ing and clever feats in Robert and Gin's completion of their heists yet the movie delivers little additional thrills. In actuality, most of the stunts are performed by Jones, with Connery an eager and voyeuristic watcher.

In reference to Connery's remark about the romantic sting — the real sting, for some, is why casting can't come closer to a workable situation. There are leading men closer to Jones' age, and actual talented and resourceful actresses who come a little closer to a believable mate for Connery. Both are sensational in their own rights — they just didn't work in this scenario. However, women will see Connery in anything, and men can't get enough of Jones, throw in a somewhat story, and you've got another ticket for the movie.

MOVIE REVIEW

"Entrapment"
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Transient

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unsure how the two met.

Deputy District Attorney Jim Romo said Simpson made a purchase at a Hillcrest pharmacy for \$1 two days before his body was found and the receipt was discovered in his room. He said Simpson was strangled with a pillowcase in his room at the Rodeway Inn, at 4210 Spring Street, and the room was ransacked. The Hillcrest receipt was the last known purchase by the victim, but Romo said the item was not described on the simple cash receipt.

"There was a ligature around his neck. It was a pillowcase. It was large enough to go around his neck with a very simple knot," Romo said. "It was on pretty tight. It was just brutal."

Romo said Simpson, a teacher, traveled with two female colleagues who told police Simpson was in San Diego "to meet with men" and had visited here before. The women called police when he failed to show up at a planned outing at Knott's Berry Farm.

Barker is not believed to be gay, the prosecutor said. "How they met, how they came together, is a mystery. Only Mr. Barker knows that," Romo said.

La Mesa Police have released pictures of the victim, the defendant, his car, and license number to the media in seeking assistance from the public to reconstruct the last few days of Simpson's life. Barker remains in the R.J. Donovan Correctional Facility without bail.

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B WORDS

Last of the century Prayer Breakfast

By Bob Burns

Again, back by popular demand, is the Annual Lemon Grove Prayer Breakfast. Plans are now ongoing for the one event of the year that brings us together in faith to give thanks and appreciation to God for the blessing that He bestows upon us all in this the best place on earth.

Mark your calendars for Friday, Sept. 24, 1999. It will be at the Lemon Grove Senior center and the featured speaker will be Father Joe Carrol of the St. Vincent De Paul Center, which does a marvelous job of caring for the unfortunates of our society. He is a dynamic speaker and had a wonderful message to convey.

As one of the founding members of the prayer breakfast committee, I am very proud of its historical success over the years. We have had an array of great speakers, including John Culea, Captain Harry Jenkins, Don Kojjis, Gill Burd and Pat Brown to name a few. They have all been well received. The only one that did not donate his services was Gill Byrd of the Chargers, but he tore up the check when it was submitted. Just wonderful speakers, all of them.

The current committee is larger, more vibrant, and more dedicated than all previous groups, if such is possible. Such a fine mix of service clubs, church groups, and civic minded people. It is amazing to see it in operation with complete selflessness.

Demonstrating our faith in the community and to each other is the

total commitment

If there is anyone out there that has not attended one of these events, you had better reserve the date now. The space is limited in our fine senior center and, I might add, the breakfast is exceptional.

Our prayer breakfasts are totally nondenominational and we try to include everybody. The Kiwanis and Soroptimists were more or less instigators, but then it involved the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and, of course, all the churches we could get to participate. They involve music groups from the schools, and Bible readings. There are prayers of thanksgiving, for unity and peace, for the country and the community. Community singing is spirited and those of us who cannot carry a tune are respectfully silent. Everyone is out by 9 a.m. so they can get to whatever commitments they have for the day. It begins at 7:30 a.m. and just triggers the day with a very special kind of aura.

Lemon Grove is a wonderful place, and all those who agree will certainly get not argument from me. I thank God daily for His directing our feet to this "crossroads with the big lemon" back in 1955. The blessing that have been given to this community have been extraordinary and appreciation abounds in this 3.75 square miles of friendliness and good cheer.

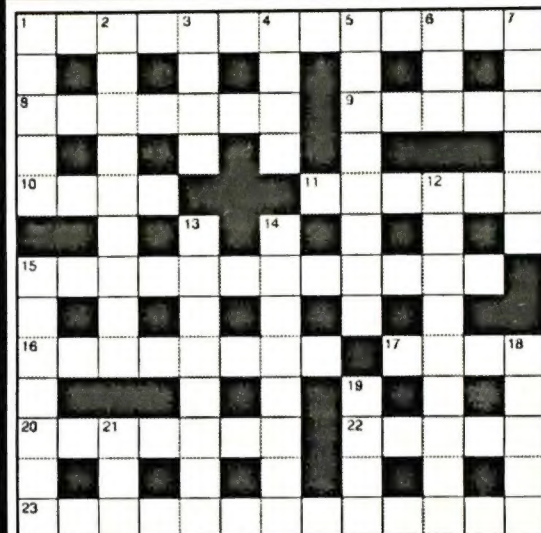
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